

# **SC Annual School Report Card Summary**

**Westwood Elementary School Abbeville County School District** 

Grades: 3-5 **Enrollment: 376** 

**Principal: David Nixon** 

Superintendent: Dr. Ivan Randolph Board Chair: Dr. Bill Crenshaw

## **PERFORMANCE**

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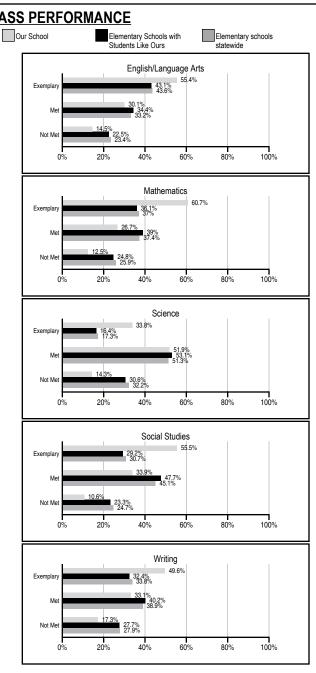
| YEAR | ABSOLUTE RATING | GROWTH RATING | PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD |                 | ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM |                          |
|------|-----------------|---------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|---|--------------------------|
|      |                 |               | General Performance            | Closing the Gap | ESEA Grade                                | Accountability Indicator |
| 2012 | Excellent       | Excellent     | TBD                            | TBD             | Α   | Focus                    |
| 2011 | Excellent       | Good          | Gold                           | N/A             | Not Met                                   | NI                       |
| 2010 | Good            | Good          | Silver                         | N/A             | Not Met                                   | N/A                      |

# **ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\***

| EXCELLENT | GOOD | AVERAGE | BELOW AVERAGE | AT-RISK |
|-----------|------|---------|---------------|---------|
| 21        | 44   | 56      | 3             | 0       |

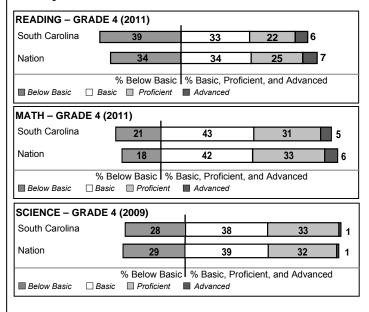
<sup>\*</sup> Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2012. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

## PASS PERFORMANCE



## **NAEP PERFORMANCE\***

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



#### **SC PERFORMANCE VISION**

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

## **Westwood Elementary School** [Abbeville County School District]

## **SCHOOL PROFILE**

|  | Our School | Change from Last Year | Elementary<br>Schools with<br>Students Like<br>Ours | Median<br>Elementary<br>School |
|--|------------|-----------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Students (n=376)   |            |                       |   |                                |
| Retention rate   | 0.3%       | No Change             | 1.2%  | 1.0%                           |
| Attendance rate  | 96.3%      | Up from 95.7%         | 96.4%   | 96.6%                          |
| Served by gifted and talented program  | N/AV       | N/AV                  | N/AV  | N/AV                           |
| With disabilities other than speech  | N/AV       | N/AV                  | N/AV  | N/AV                           |
| Older than usual for grade   | N/AV       | N/AV                  | N/AV  | N/AV                           |
| Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses | 0.0%       | No Change             | 0.0%  | 0.0%                           |
| Teachers (n=27)  |            |                       |   |                                |
| Teachers with advanced degrees   | 66.7%      | Up from 63.3%         | 61.9%   | 63.0%                          |
| Continuing contract teachers   | N/AV       | N/AV                  | N/AV  | N/AV                           |
| Teachers returning from previous year  | 91.0%      | Up from 80.4%         | 89.6%   | 88.7%                          |
| Teacher attendance rate  | 91.7%      | Down from 94.9%       | 95.2%   | 95.1%                          |
| Average teacher salary*  | \$44,149   | Up 2.2%               | \$47,395  | \$47,210                       |
| Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers                              | 0.0%       | Down from 16.1%       | 0.0%  | 0.0%                           |
| Professional development days/teacher  | 1.2 days   | Down from 3.9 days    | 10.8 days   | 10.5 days                      |
| School   |            |                       |   |                                |
| Principal's years at school  | 1.0        | Down from 7.0         | 4.5   | 4.0                            |
| Student-teacher ratio in core subjects                                       | 15.0 to 1  | Down from 17.2 to 1   | 20.0 to 1   | 20.0 to 1                      |
| Prime instructional time   | 87.3%      | Down from 89.8%       | 90.3%   | 90.5%                          |
| Opportunities in the arts  | Good       | No Change             | Good  | Good                           |
| SACS accreditation   | Yes        | No Change             | Yes   | Yes                            |
| Parents attending conferences  | 100.0%     | No Change             | 100.0%  | 100.0%                         |
| Character development program  | Excellent  | No Change             | Excellent   | Excellent                      |
| Dollars spent per pupil**  | \$7,246    | Up 6.0%               | \$7,072   | \$7,247                        |
| Percent of expenditures for instruction**                                    | 68.0%      | No Change             | 67.9%   | 68.2%                          |
| Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**                               | 66.5%      | Up from 65.8%         | 66.2%   | 65.7%                          |
| ESEA composite index score   | 91.6       | N/A                   | 91.0  | 91.9                           |
|  | •          |                       | •   |                                |

<sup>\*</sup> Length of contract = 185+ days.

## **EVALUATION RESULTS**

|  | Teachers | Students* | Parents* |
|--|----------|-----------|----------|
| Number of surveys returned                             | 30       | 130       | 50       |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment            | 100.0%   | 96.1%     | 92.0%    |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment | 100.0%   | 90.8%     | 85.4%    |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations           | 100.0%   | 87.7%     | 80.9%    |

<sup>\*</sup>Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The assessment component of our plan calls for the use of DIBELS to monitor the reading progress of students who are having difficulty throughout the year. We are continuing our program where all of the students who scored "at-risk" or "intensive" were tested more frequently. Testing students bi-monthly has allowed us to get a more accurate picture of the effectiveness of our interventions. and we adjusted them accordingly. 44 3rd and 4th grade students fell into these areas and were given the opportunity to attend our "After School Magic" program where they received additional assistance from 2:15 until 3:50 three days a week. The improvement these students have shown from this extra intervention has been remarkable. All of this information will provide a better idea of how students are performing and how best to meet their needs as we continue to see the number of "at-risk" students decrease.

We were also encouraged by this years MAP scores. MAP testing is administered once in the fall, once in the winter, again in the spring, and after PASS is administered. MAP is a way of gauging academic growth and projecting where students will perform on the PASS Test. All students at Westwood showed growth according to their MAP scores. Translating the scores into their PASS equivalents allows us to compare the past scores from PASS to how they performed this year on MAP.

We were able to provide remediation and enrichment for our students through our Related Arts Teachers. Creative scheduling allowed each of these teachers an hour and a half each morning to work with our students in the areas of math and reading.

Westwood continues to use the Data Room in the school. Each student in the school is tracked based on his or her MAP, CAI and other data sources to help identify individual student performance and mastery of standards.

We made adjustments to our schedule this year by moving all Related Arts to after 11:30. This allows for more uninterrupted instruction in the morning which statistically is the most important time for students to retain information.

Thus far, 2011-2012 has been a very productive year. We are certainly encouraged by the data we have seen and look forward to taking PASS.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Prior year audited financial data available.